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PATENT APPLICATION

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
MASAMI KATO) Examiner: Q. Nguyen
Application No.: 09/343,183) Group Art Unit: 2152
Filed: June 30, 1999)
For: DATA COMMUNICATION)
CONTROL APPARATUS AND)
METHOD, AND DATA)
COMMUNICATION SYSTEM : March 11, 2003

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Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated September 11, 2002, the period for response to which having been extended to March 11, 2003 by the accompanying Petition For Extension Of Time with fee, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel Claims 1 to 18, 39, 42 and 45 and amend Claims 19, 21, 31, 35, 37, 40, 41, 43, 44, 46 and 47 as follows. The claims, as pending in the subject application, read as follows:

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